

## Message Text

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IO/HDC:JBUCZACKI  
NEA/IRN:RBEALES (DRAFT)  
IO/ML:JWASHBURN (SUBS)  
NEA/RA:SHOLLY  
IO:RDMOREY

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R 241905Z JAN 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
INFO USMISSION GENEVA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR, IR, SZ

SUBJECT: IRANIAN CANDIDACY FOR CND RAPPORTEUR POSITION

REFERENCES: (A) TEHRAN 418; (B) STATE 5652; (C) LONDON 828;  
(D) STOCKHOLM 273

1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES NOTE TO GOI AS SUGGESTED IN REF (A)  
MIGHT ADD UNDESIRABLE ELEMENTS OF FORMALITY AND RIGIDITY TO  
CND ELECTION PROCEDURE. CIRCULATION OF WRITTEN COMMITMENTS,  
AS OPPOSED TO CURRENT PRACTICE OF INFORMALLY BUILDING CON-  
SENSUS WITHIN CND STEERING GROUP, COULD DISRUPT THIS FLEXI-  
BLE SYSTEM BY INTRODUCING POTENTIALLY DIVISIVE ELECTION  
CAMPAIGNS INTO THE COMMISSION. EMBASSY SHOULD CONSEQUENTLY  
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LIMIT EXPRESSIONS OF U.S. SUPPORT FOR SHAHANDEH'S CANDIDACY  
TO INFORMAL ASSURANCES.

2. TEHRAN WILL BE KEPT INFORMED OF STATUS OF SHAHANDEH  
CANDIDACY. PER REF B TEHRAN WAS TO BE INCLUDED AS ADDRESSEE  
ON ALL MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT.

3. IN ADDITION TO REFS (C) AND (D), ONLY REACTION WE HAVE HAD TO DATE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS WAS DELAYED SECOND REACTION FROM CANADA. CHIEF OF CANADIAN CND DEL POINTS OUT THAT THE CND STEERING GROUP TRADITIONALLY SUPPORTS

CANDIDACIES ONLY OF PERSONS WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED CND MEETINGS BECAUSE SUCH OFFICES ARE PERSONAL AND NOT RELATED TO WHICH GOVERNMENT IS REPRESENTED. NONETHELESS, CANADIANS WILL SUPPORT SHAHANDEH, THEY SIMPLY WERE FLAGGING THIS POSSIBLE PROBLEM. WE HOPE THIS FACTOR WILL NOT PREVENT SHAHANDEH SELECTION. GENEVA PLEASE COMMENT.  
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